

DISCLOSURE DIVISION

- ☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **ANSWER**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**
☐ **UNTIMELY**

DATE: 10/1/2021

DOCKET #: 2021-860

Ashley Wimberley, Director
Disclosure Division

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Vincent Joseph Sotile, Jr
Address: 6140 Morgan Bend Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70820-2004
Office/Position: Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation Board
of Disclosures/Amendments Filed with Agency: 9
Years Covered: 2012-2020
Final Report: No

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2019
Report ID: PFD21009879
Original Due Date: 7/6/2020
NOD Received: 7/10/2021
NOD Signed by: Vincent Sotile
PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD: 7/20/2021
PFD/Answer Filed: 7/27/2021

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$350
Days late from receipt of NOD: 7
Total days late from initial due date: 386
Late Fee Order Received: 7/29/2021
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 8/18/2021
Waiver Request Received: 8/11/2021

COMMENTS:

Vincent J. Sotile requests a Waiver for the late filing of his 2019 Annual PFD. Mr. Sotile stated he has gone through 3 secretarial changes in the past 18 months and filing the annual disclosure slipped forgotten about. He has always filed timely and receives no income or expense reimbursements for serving on the board. Mr. Sotile asks the Ethics Board to waive his fine as the Coronavirus Pandemic has impacted the legal, staffing market.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Disclosure Statements:

- Other Outstanding Statements: No
- Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No
- Reassessed Late Fees: No

Campaign Finance:

- Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No

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RE: Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement for 2019
Late Fee Assessment Report: PFD21009879

Dear Board:

Please accept this correspondence as a Request for a Waiver of the late fee assigned to me for failure to timely file the Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. I have gone through three secretarial changes in the past eighteen months and the report slipped through. I have always filed, albeit late most years, the Disclosure Reports in the past years, all with the same disclosures....nothing to disclose.

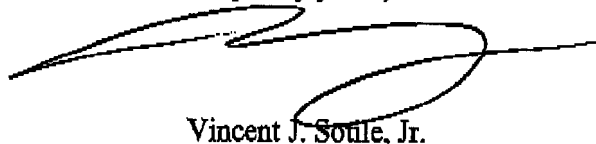
I am serving on this Board as a favor to a friend, with no strings attached. I am simply doing my part to make everything run smoothly. I give my own time and expect nothing in return. No expenses are reimbursed and I usually attend all meetings. I am just helping fill a spot on a board that needed me eight (8) years ago.

I am not asking that the rules don't apply to me, I am only asking that, during these crazy times, (Covid has definitely made an impact in the staffing market for the legal world), that the late fee of \$350.00 be waived.

It is my understanding that I have faxed in all Disclosure Statements that are due.

Thanking you, I remain

Very truly yours,



Vincent J. Sotile, Jr.



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